REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: slut0043.JPG

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Director/Author: Not Applicable

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Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The computer image file printout entitled *slut0043.JPG* is classified as: Objectionable.

The publication is a computer image file printout which has a sexual focus on a young teenager's nudity, in particular his genitals. For those with a sexual interest in young persons and inclined to see them as sexually arousing, the publication serves to legitimise and encourage that interest.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.